Bicycle – Pedestrian Committee



MINUTES

Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

This meeting was conducted via Zoom.

Welcome/Roll Call

Meeting was called to order by Chair Charley LaFlamme at 10:00 a.m.

Members present: Charley LaFlamme, Priscilla Botsford, John Cavaretta, Jennifer Walker, Bruce Byorkman

Members absent: Ramsey Lafayette, Paul Jean

Others Present: Michael Sgambati, Leslie Olear

Approval of Minutes

MOTION to approve the April 20, 2022 meeting minutes as submitted. Motion by John, seconded by Jennifer. Motion passed unanimously 5-0-0.

New Business

- 1. Comp Plan Community Sub-committee (Michael Sgambati, Leslie Olear)
 - Discussed with the Comp Plan Community Subcommittee the successes, opportunities, and challenges of the current bicycle/pedestrian culture and facilities versus the vision set forth in the 2004 Comp Plan.
 - o Sub-committee members indicated that they would attend another meeting in the future.
 - o Expect updated Comp Plan to be ready to go before voters in 2024.

Unfinished Business

- 1. Obeds Lane Concern -- Pedestrian safety concern on busy cut-through street with no sidewalk
 - O Agamenticus Road has new sidewalk but once pedestrians cross Main Street onto Obeds Lane they must walk in the street. The road narrows and has limited line-of-sight visibility with a curve and hill at Main Street making for a dangerous situation.

- Agreed that there was a need for a sidewalk on Obeds Lane from Main Street to the Ogunquit Heritage Museum all Town owned land.
- o Significant ledge on the north side of the road.
- O Stenciling on road and signage may be a short-term solution.
- O John to add to his list of items to discuss with Tom Torno. May consider having a site visit with Tom when John knows his schedule.

2. Shoreline Bicycle Routes

- How can we work to make Shore Road and other coastline routes safer for bicyclists.
- Committee members invited to participate in Kittery's "Sharing the Roads"
 Presentation with BikeMaine and Maine DOT. May 25, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. http://www.kitteryme.gov/sharingroads

3. Wellness Weekend

o Invite Ramsey to provide feedback at next meeting.

4. MDOT Village Partnership Initiative (VPI)

- o Town Manager suggested that we could use American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to fund the town's portion of a Village Partnership Initiative.
- o Generic use of ARPA funds needs to be approved in June Warrant.

5. League of American Bicyclists National Bike Summit

o Charley and Bruce spoke of several sessions that they attended.

6. New RRFB on Main Street at Panache – Tracking

O Update from Patrick Adams, MaineDOT: "As I understand it, MaineDOT has finally awarded a contract with a vendor to provide the RRFBs. This will be the first time in about 3 years. We likely won't receive the FFRB Packages until late this summer. We hope they may be here sooner, but that's the latest estimate I've been given."

7. Berwick Road Pedestrian Usage -- Tracking

The committee and Tom Torno had decided that a paved 4 foot shoulder instead of a sidewalk would be better as it would allow for both pedestrians and bicycle users. Project expected to be completed in fall 2022.

8. LED Lighting - Tracking

 Installation of LED streetlights on Main Street was expected to be completed by April 2022. John to check on status with Tom Torno.

Other Business

- 1. Meeting with Town Manager -6/15/22 11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.
- 2. Next meeting date: June 15, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Public Comment

o No member of the public offered comments.

Adjournment

o MOTION To adjourn at 11:00 a.m. Motion by John, seconded by Jennifer. Motion passed unanimously 4-0-0.

Respectfully submitted, Bruce Byorkman Secretary